(d) the extent to which the supply of power in the capital would be increased as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A Task Force has been constituted.

(c) India Electricity Supply and Transmission Limited (Modi Group of Companies) have expressed interest for power supply in part of Delhi.

(d) the supply of power in Delhi would increase to the extent power projects are taken up for implementation.

Streamlining the working of SEBs

4352. SHRI KRISHAN KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have asked all the State Governments to take drastic measures to streamline the working of the State Electricity Boards;

(b) if so, the details of the guidelines issued in this regard;

(c) whether on the basis of cost and efficiency, Government propose to ensure periodic rationalisation of the traffic structure; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (d) The State Governments have been impressed upon from time to time including in conferences of Power Ministers of States to improve the operation of the State Electricity Boards so as to achieve the statutory minimum surplus of 3 per cent and to take steps like equity participation, provision of subsidy to meet losses for supply of power to the agriculture sector, timely revision of tariff, improving performance of generating stations, reducing T and D losses, economy in fuel, review of manpower cost, improvement in revenue collection etc. States have also been urged for fixation of minimum agricultural tariff of 50 paise/kwh. Further, Chief Ministers of States have been recently impressed upon the need for taking effective measures for controlling the cost of generation and distribution, by efficient supply management, reductions in T and D losses by eliminating power theft, controlling the inventory etc. and to develop a "cost and efficiency-based tariff".

Pending power Projects of Private Sector

4353. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 24 proposals for power projects in private sector are pending, if so, the details thereof including the dates of submission of proposals, site of individual proposals and sponsors of the proposals;

(b) whether these proposals are for gas based, thermal based or hydro-based power stations;

(c) what is the cost of per megawatt for different kind of projects;

(d) what is going to be the cost of power per unit;

(e) how does the cost favour in private sector as compared to public sector; and

(f) whether power projects in private sector would utilise public sector transmission lines or lay their own infrastructure for transmission, etc.?